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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. – 19. (cancelled)

20. (currently amended) ~~An elastic~~ A composite web comprising ~~an extensible a~~
~~creped~~ nonwoven layer and ~~a~~ perforated uncreped elastic layer having a first and
second surfaces, the perforated uncreped elastic layer being bonded at a plurality of
points on said first surface to high points of the ~~extensible creped~~ nonwoven layer;
~~wherein the perforated elastic layer has an elongation to break of at least 50%, and~~
~~the extensible nonwoven layer has a crepe-induced extensibility of at least 25%.~~

21. (original) The composite web of claim 20 wherein the elastic layer comprises a
three-dimensional apertured film.

22. (original) The composite web of claim 20 wherein the elastic layer comprises a
two-dimensional apertured film.

23. – 25. (cancelled)

26. (original) An absorbent article comprising the composite web of claim 20.

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27. (original) The absorbent article of claim 26 wherein the elastic layer comprises a three-dimensional apertured film.

28. (original) The absorbent article of claim 26 wherein the elastic layer comprises a two-dimensional apertured film.

29. (original) The absorbent article of claim 26 wherein the elastic layer comprises: a first non-elastic skin layer; a second non-elastic skin layer; and an elastic core between the first and second skin layers.

30. (original) An absorbent article comprising the composite web of claim ~~23~~ 40.

31. (original) The absorbent article of claim 30 wherein the elastic layer comprises a three-dimensional apertured film.

32. (original) The absorbent article of claim 30 wherein the elastic layer comprises a two-dimensional apertured film.

33. (original) The absorbent article of claim 30 wherein the elastic layer comprises: a first non-elastic skin layer; a second non-elastic skin layer; and an elastic core between the first and second skin layers.

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34. (new) The composite web of claim 20 wherein said nonwoven layer is constructed of a non-elastic material.

35. (new) The composite of claim 34 wherein said nonwoven layer is extensible in a direction perpendicular to its creping.

36. (new) The composite web of claim 35 wherein said nonwoven layer is unactivated.

37. (new) The composite web of claim 35 wherein said nonwoven layer is activated.

38. (new) The composite web of claim 35 wherein the perforated uncreped elastic layer is bonded at a plurality of points to high points of the creped nonwoven layer.

39. (new) The composite web of claim 38 wherein the perforated elastic layer has an elongation to break of at least 50%, and the extensible nonwoven layer has a crepe induced extensibility of at least 25%.

40. (new) The composite web of claim 20 further comprising a second nonwoven layer bonded to said second surface of said perforated elastic layer.

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41. (new) The composite web of claim 40 wherein said second nonwoven layer is creped.

42. (new) The composite web of claim 40 wherein said second nonwoven layer is uncreped.

43. (new) The composite web of claim 20 wherein said web is extensible.

44. (new) The composite web of claim 20 wherein said web is elastic.